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MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

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Dear Colleagues,

Over the course of EPA's existence, we have spearheaded and implemented many actions resulting in a significant reduction of lead exposure to children throughout our country. Many talented individuals here at EPA have contributed to that effort. However, lead exposure, particularly at higher doses, continues to pose a significant health and safety threat to our children, robbing them of the fullest potential of their health, their intellect, and their future. No safe blood lead level in children has been identified. The time is now to impact future generations. EPA and our federal partners are committed to taking action to address this threat, and improve health outcomes for our nation's most vulnerable citizens - our children.

To begin the dialog on the next steps in developing a federal strategy to reduce childhood lead exposure and eliminate associated health impacts, I have invited the members of the President's Task Force on Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks to Children to participate in a meeting here at EPA later this month. Lead contamination in our water systems is among the leading environmental and health threats facing our country, and I look forward to my Cabinet colleagues joining me as we address this issue along with other critical lead contamination challenges.

Also, I am pleased to announce that Timothy R. Epp, Assistant General Counsel in the EPA's Office of General Counsel, has joined the Administrator's Office to serve as EPA's national coordinator in revitalizing our lead efforts with our federal partners. Tim currently manages OGC's international attorneys, including advising EPA's Office of International and Tribal Affairs in its role as steering committee chair for the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint.

Please join me in this very important effort and in welcoming Tim to this new role.

Administrator Scott Pruitt